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PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Khalil et al

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Group Art Unit: 2616

Examiner: Wong, Blanche

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 15, 2007

In response to the First Office Action mailed November 15, 2007, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in light of the following Response. A one month extension of time to respond is requested, and the appropriate fee is enclosed herewith.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: March 14, 2008

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

1. Claims 8-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2 as allegedly being indefinite.

Claims 8-15 have been amended to overcome this rejection, which the Examiner indicated would place these claims in condition for allowance.

2. Claims 1-7 and 16-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over O'Neil in view of U.S. Publication 2005/0177722 of Vaarala et al (hereafter "Vaarala"). Amendments have been made to the claims that are believed to place these claims in condition for allowance.